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New Resources in the Library



New Edition of [We Believe with Project Disciple](#) from Sadlier: A spiral curriculum that presents the key concepts of faith each year in a deeper and broader way as the learner grows more capable of understanding and living in discipleship. Available in Parish, School and Bilingual editions. We Believe with Project Disciple, Grades K-6 & We Believe/We Live Our Faith, Grades 7-8

Books & Movies

[My Life with the Saints](#) (Audio Book, 10 sound discs (780 min.) Martin, James, S.J., St. Anthony Messenger Press, 2010. With wisdom, charm, and self-effacing humor, Father Martin supplies not only a biographical overview on a wide assortment of saints throughout history, but also demonstrates, through stories of his own life, how useful it is to continually turn to the saints for encouragement and guidance.

[The Priestly Vocation: An Invitation to Life](#) (DVD, 73 min.) Paraclete Press, 2010. The priestly vocation is a counter-cultural one. Through the stories of priests of varying backgrounds in this powerful DVD, see firsthand how their lives of love and self-sacrifice are more fulfilled than you could imagine.

[Who Cares about the Saints?](#) (DVD, 139 min.) Martin, James S.J., Loyola Productions, 2009. James Martin introduces his favorite saints in this DVD, which combines his lively commentary along with dramatic photos and artwork that bring to life the lives of the saints.

[A Priest Forever: Nine Signs of Renewal and Hope](#) (Book) McBride, Alfred, St. Anthony Messenger Press, 2010. In this reflection on the meaning of the priesthood, Father Alfred McBride explores a priest's commitment to feed our people and witness the church's social teachings, to spend time in daily prayer, to find solutions to the crisis of priestly identity plaguing today's priests, and to become a man of personal mercy in all one's dealings as a priest.

[The Donkey's Tale: A Story about the Life of Jesus](#) (DVD, 13 min.) Twenty Third Publications, 1991, 2007. Moshe is the foal that Jesus rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. Moshe and his donkey family encounter the Messiah at various times in Jesus' life, from birth to resurrection.

[The Next Generation of Pastoral Leaders: What the Church Needs to Know](#) (Book) Hoge, Dean R., Loyola Press, 2010. Provides a unique glimpse into the thinking and attitudes of Catholic young adults as it relates to pastoral ministry. The findings are essential for anyone in Catholic ministry to understand if the Church is to successfully develop both lay and ordained pastoral leaders for the future, and, more immediately, if the Church is to involve Catholic young adults in parish life and campus ministry today.

[Putting on the Heart of Christ: How the Spiritual Exercises Invite us to a Virtuous Life](#) (Book) Fagin, Gerald M. Loyola Press, 2010. Offers a fresh look at the Spiritual Exercises through the lens of virtue ethics. The book encourages us to become the kind of person whose very life is in tune with the heart of Christ. Covers 15 virtues throughout the book, including gratitude, reverence, and forgiveness. Each is explained within the context of the Spiritual Exercises and the life of St. Ignatius, as well as within the context of Scripture.

[A Faith that Frees: Catholic Matters for the 21st Century](#) (Book) Malloy, Richard G., Orbis Books, 2007. Offers advice on how the practice of Catholicism can help a person understand and live the gospel in a world of confusion, violence, and excess.

[My First Holy Communion: Prayers for a Lifetime](#) (Book) Piper, Sophie, Paraclete Press, 2010. Beautiful book that explains the importance of First Communion. It includes a variety of blessings and Scripture, and will be welcomed not only as a memento of a special day, but also as an encouragement to grow into maturity as a Christian.



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New Spanish Books

Colaboradores en la Vina del Señor: Un Recurso para Guiar el Desarrollo del Ministerio Eclesial Laico United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009. Co-workers in the Vineyard of the Lord offers pastoral and theological reflections on the reality of lay ecclesial ministry, affirmation of those who serve in this way, and a synthesis of best thinking and practice. It is a resource for diocesan bishops and for all who are responsible for guiding the development of lay ecclesial ministry in the United States.

Manual de la Teología para los Católicos de Hoy Burgaleta, Claudio, Liguori Publications, 2009. A resource to help you in your ministry as you serve the people of God and follow Jesus' spirit and also to help you understand what theology is and how theology is different from other disciplines (Christian or secular) that deal with some of the same issues.

Manual para los Catequistas de Hoy Infantino, Ginger, Liguori Publications, 2010. Examines basic principles for catechists. This handbook helps provide answers and support for volunteer catechists, religion teachers, and parents when teaching their children about Catholicism.

Los Planos de la Biblia: Una Guía Católica para Entender y Acoger la Palabra de Dios Paprocki, Joe, Loyola Press, 2009. Covers the different genres of biblical writing, key figures in biblical history, and the methods Catholics rely on to interpret the Bible. Readers are also shown how to consult commentaries, concordances, and other valuable tools of Bible study to deepen their understanding of God's word. Witty cartoons, sidebars, and quizzes throughout the book keep the tone fun and engaging; eight perforated Bible bookmarks are bound into the book.

Mi Vida con los Santos Martin, James SJ. Loyola Press, 2010. Fr. Martin's stirring memoir of his special relationship with the saints and how he has been personally and powerfully guided by the Church's heroines throughout his life. Martin's engaging stories allow us to see both the vividly holy and typically human sides of many popular saints, and from these saints, we learn how to live out the holiness in our humanity.

Guía Católica para la Biblia Lukefahr, Oscar, Liguori Publications, 2006. Provides a theological interpretation of selected passages based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

The Library Media Center has these starter kits available for check out to help supplement your 2010 Vacation Bible School program.

SonQuest Rainforest Liguori Publications, 2010. Everything your SonQuest Rainforest adventurers encounter is based on five parables told by Jesus that will make a difference in their lives every day. These five days of discovery not only give kids the knowledge of God's Word, but also the opportunity to respond to His truth by living out their Christian faith.



Baobab Blast Our Sunday Visitor, 2010. Baobab Blast is an open invitation to be a part of God's Great Get-Together. Set under the impressive Baobab tree, kids will have the opportunity to hear the Word of God, be amazed at God's wild-life creations, and be a part of a supportive and fun community.

High Seas Expedition Harcourt, 2010. Discover the depths of God's love through the High Seas Expedition from Group Publishing! At High Seas Expedition VBS, kids join a Crew where 5 elementary-age children form a small group. Each Crew has an adult or teenage Crew Leader. Crews rotate through seven stations every day, and the daily Bible Point is reinforced at each station throughout High Seas Expedition in creative ways.



Environmental Awareness for Earth Day

"Can we remain indifferent before the problems associated with such realities as climate change, desertification, the deterioration and loss of productivity in vast agricultural areas, the pollution of rivers and aquifers, the loss of biodiversity, the increase of natural catastrophes and the deforestation of equatorial and tropical regions? ... The ecological problem must be dealt with not only because of the chilling prospects of environmental degradation on the horizon; the real motivation must be the quest for authentic world-wide solidarity inspired by the values of charity, justice and the common good. ... Protecting the natural environment in order to build a world of peace is thus a duty incumbent upon each and all." – from Pope Benedict's 2010 World Day of Peace Message, "If You Want to Cultivate Peace, Protect Creation"

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